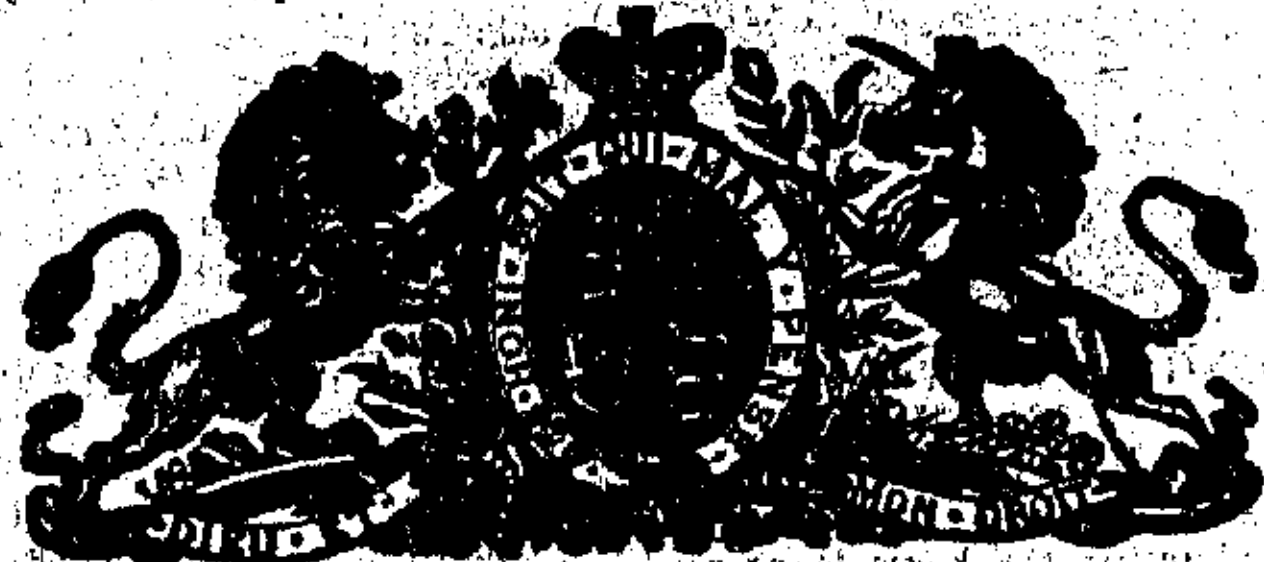


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March 5, 1878.

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COFFEE ROASTERS, and COFFEE MILLS.
SETS OF GARDENING UTENSILS.
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METALLIC MEASURING TAPES, in strong Leather Cases.
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Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

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In connection with their

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Per Dozen.
SODA WATER, ... 40 CENTS.
LEMONADE, ... 50 "
Tonic WATER, ... 50 "
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SALTZBER WATER, ... 50 "
SARSAPARILLA WATER, ... 75 "
LYTHIA WATER, ... 75 "
SODA WATER in large Syphons, 75 "

A Reduction on these Prices is made on Orders of over Three Dozen. Bottles charged, if not returned.

13, Queen's Road, and 22, Praya, Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

FOR SALE.

THE 90 4 1 BRITISH STEAMSHIP "ARGENTINO."

915 Tons Register (1628 Tons Gross). For Particulars, apply to the Captain on Board.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

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Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

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ICE CHESTS, THE LATEST AMERICAN IMPROVEMENT.
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AMERICAN PORCELAIN-LINED ICE PITCHERS.
POCKET SIPHONIAS, WEIGH ONLY 12 OUNCES.
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The New BROWN and BLACK FELT HATS.
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FORD'S EUREKA SHIRTS, COLLARS ATTACHED.
REMINGTON MATCH RIFLES.
SHORT SNIDERS, with SWORD BAYONETS.
NEW STYLES IN FRENCH BRACES.
Very Fine MANILA CIGARS, \$9.50 per Box of 500.
AIR CUSHIONS and BEDS.
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A Large Collection of OLEOGRAPHES.
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BARON LIEBIG'S FOOD for ADULTS, a complete substitute for COD LIVER OIL.
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FRENCH COFFEE MACHINES.
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FRUIT and LIME-JUICE SYRUPS.

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Hongkong, May 9, 1878.

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GREAT REDUCTION in the PRICE of Plain Coloured GLACE SILKS. For a short time only. We shall offer Various Colours at one uniform Price, 60 Cents per Yard, some slightly soiled but all admirably suited for Summer Wear, Evening Dresses or Underslips. Our usual Price for these Goods is \$1.25 per Yard.

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Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

To Let.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.

Houses No. 2, and 5, Seymour Terraces.

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Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

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Hongkong, April 20, 1878.

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THE ADVERTISER wishes to RECOMMEND his HOUSEBOY, 12 Years Good Character.

Apply by Letter to "G." care of China Mail Office.

Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.

Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

STANDARD FIRE OFFICE, LONDON.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

Discount 20%.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Store-keeper, to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY,

the 17th May, at 11 a.m., at H. M. NAVAL YARD,—

SUNDRY CONDENSED NAVAL and VICTUALLING STORES, Comprising:—

Old Iron, Hoses, Boots, &c., &c.
Blue Cloth, Shoes, &c.
Chocolate, Biscuit Dust, Candles, Soap, Tobacco, &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 9, 1878.

BILLIARD TABLES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Praya, on FRIDAY,

the 17th May, 1878, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—Two Full Sized ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES, in Good Order, and Complete, with Cues, Balls, Marking Boards, &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY,

the 27th May, 1878, at Noon, on the Premises,—

All that PIECE or PARCEL OF GROUND, situated near the No. 2 Police Station, East Point, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 483, Containing 5,000 Square Feet, together with the 6 Houses Built thereon.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser, and the property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

TO BE SOLD

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

the 1st June, 1878,

BY

PUBLIC AUCTION,

Unless previously disposed of by Private Contract,

LOT No. 20, with all the BUILDINGS erected on it, known as

"THE GRAND HOTEL,"

which meanwhile will be carried on,

On Account of the Concerned.

And also,

ON THE SAME DAY,

ALL THE FURNITURE & EFFECTS Belonging to the same.

For Particulars, apply to the

AUCTIONEERS,

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Yokohama, May 4, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

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FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australian and New Zealand Ports,

TASMANIA, FIJI & NEW CALEDONIA.

The Australasian Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamship

"GUNGA,"

J. R. BROWN, Commander,

will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 8, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

The Steamship

"ARGYLL,"

Captain Scott, will be despatched as above on SUN-

DAY, the 18th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 13, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT.)

The Steamship

"GLAMIS CASTLE,"

will be despatched for the above Port, on or about

WEDNESDAY Next, the 22nd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamship "NORMANBY,"

will be despatched for the above Ports on the 21st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, May 9, 1878.

FOR AMOY.

The Steamship

"MACTAN,"

Enriquez, Master, shortly due, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

FOR SYDNEY & MELBOURNE (DIRECT.)

Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australian and New Zealand Ports.

The Australasian Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamship

"OCEAN,"

due here on the 28th Instant, will load New Teas at Foochow as above, and receive prompt despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Or, GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1878.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

The British Steamship

"AMERICA,"

GRAHAM, Master, of 583 tons Register and 16,500 cubic Capacity.

For further particulars, apply to

BIRLEY & Co.

Hongkong, May 14, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Bark

"DEPANA,"

W. MAY, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1878.

FOR HONOLULU.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS of the Underigned, from and after the 31st Instant, will be carried on under the Style of "LINTSEAD & Co."

T. G. LINTSEAD.
Hongkong, May 13, 1878. my20

NOTICE.

MR. WILLIAM HENRY HARTON, is This Day admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong and Foochow,
May 1, 1878. jol

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD GUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.
China, March 8, 1878. se8

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. M. S. GUBBAY in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December, 1877.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Shanghai, May 11, 1878. my29

NOTICE.

THE Interest of the late JOHN GURNEY FRY in our Firm CEASED on the 30th ultimo.

SILVERLOCK & Co.
Foochow, May 1, 1878. my22

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP existing between Mr. JOHN G. PURDON and Mr. HENRY W. DAVIS in Hongkong and Canton, under the Style of PURDON & Co., is This Day Dissolved by mutual consent; either Partner will sign in liquidation, and the Business will be carried on by Mr. H. W. DAVIS under the Style of DAVIS & Co.

PURDON & Co.
China, April 30, 1878.

MR. HENRY W. DAVIS retires from, and his Interest and Responsibility CEASES in our Firm at Foochow from the 30th ultimo; and Messrs JOHN ANDREW MAITLAND and EDWARD FRY HAGUE are admitted PARTNERS therein from This Date.

PURDON & Co.
China, May 1, 1878.

MR. JOHN GRAEME PURDON is This Day admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

MAITLAND & Co.
Shanghai, May 1, 1878.

MR. CHARLES COLE is authorised to sign our Firm per procreation at Foochow.

PURDON & Co.
Foochow, May 1, 1878. jol3

NOTICE.

MR. GUSTAV FISCHER has been duly authorized to sign our Firm by procreation from This Date.

E. MEYER & Co.
Tientsin, May 1, 1878. my22

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Underigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tsz Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Underigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the service of Mr. LEONG YOOK CHOW, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,
Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

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Now Ready.

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Optim Eating in China.

The Tai Tribes of Yunnan.

Books Wanted, Postages, &c.

China Mail Office,

Hongkong, May 13, 1878.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP Co.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. CITY OF PEKING, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Company at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 15, 1878. my22

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenlyon having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underigned, whence and/or from the Wharves of Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai and Japan, unless notice be given before 2 o'clock To-day.

Goods remaining undelivered after 21st Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 14, 1878. my21

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the Undermentioned Cargo are hereby informed that unless the same be taken delivery of within one month from this date it will be sold to pay expenses.

Ex Argentine, 30th April, 1877.

M.....10 Cases.

Ex Elgin, 28th May, 1877.

W S (in diamond).....8 Cases.

D S & Co. (in diamond).....1 Box.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

7, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, May 4, 1878. jol4

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

S. S. SINDH.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Euphrate, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 13th Instant, at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after Saturday, the 18th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1878. my18

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Ex "Ironclad,"

K (in diamond) 615/24 Order, } from

10 cases Worsteds,.....} London.

Ex "Tigre,"

LOF 19, Mr. Schneider, 1 case } from

Fire Arms,.....} M'len.

Hongkong, May 13, 1878.

TO-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.

The Steamship

"DOUGLAS,"

will be despatched for the above

Ports on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant,

at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co.

Hongkong, May 16, 1878. my18

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship

"AGEAN"

is shortly expected from

SINGAPORE, and will be de-

spatched as above.

For Freight, &c., apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, May 16, 1878. my28

FOR FOOCOW (DIRECT.)

The British Bark

"GEORGINA"

will have early despatch as

above.

For Freight, apply to

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, May 16, 1878. tl.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received in-

structions to sell by Public Auction,

ON

MONDAY,

the 27th May, 1878, at 12.30 p.m., on

the Premises—

All those PIECES or PARCELS OF

GROUND, situated in Fook-hing Lane,

Jardine's Bazaar, East Point, and Re-

gistered in the Land Office as Inland

Lots Nos. 317, 318, 458, 459, and 460.

For further particulars, apply to the

Underigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the pur-

chase money to be paid on fall of the

hammer, and the Balance on completion

of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of

which to be paid by the purchaser, and

the property to be at the risk of the pur-

chaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 16, 1878. my27

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

16th MAY, 1878.

GENTLEMEN who have signified their

intention of becoming MEMBERS

are invited to attend at the CITY HALL, on

SATURDAY Next, the 18th Instant, for

the purpose of being enrolled as VOLUN-

TEERS by a Justice of the Peace and the

Commandant, who will attend for that pur-

pose at 4 o'clock p.m., on that day.

It is intended to commence drills at an

early date next week, and Members are

requested to obtain the Uniform from

AMAN, Tailor, No. 41, Queen's Road,

with as little delay as possible.

When the Members are enrolled the time

and place of drills will be notified to them.

Arms and Accoutrements will be issued

to each Volunteer in due course.

An "Orderly Room" is provided in the

Colonial Office on the ground floor opposite

the Treasury.

After the enrolment on Saturday next,

the Commandant will be prepared to admit

Volunteers from time to time and to enrol

them as Members of the Corps. All appli-

cations to be made to him.

Gentlemen who have not as yet signified

their intention of joining are likewise

invited to attend and enrol themselves on

Saturday next.

T. C. DEMPSTER,

Captain 28th Regt.,

Commandant.

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TO LET.

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May 15, Jessie Jamieson, British barque,

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May 16, Dale, British steamer, 654, J.

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14, General.—YUEN FAR HONG.

May 16, Conquest, British steamer, 317,

Scott, Halphong May 10, and Holhow 14,

General.—KWONG LEE YUEN.

May 16, Nyassa, British ship, 793, W.

S. Garlock, Newcastle (N.S.W.) March 30,

Coal.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

May 16, H.M.S. Hart, 469, R. Evans,

Salgon May 8.

May 16, Hans, German barque, from

Whampoa.

May 16, Chop-chung, Chinese gunboat,

from Canton.

May 16, Golden Spurr, British ship, 656,

S. E. Farrell, Bangkok April 20, Rica.—

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Speeches of Richard Cobden, by The Cobden Club; 1 Portrait of Sir R. G. Macdonnell, by J. B. Coughter, Esq.; Inflorescence and Seed Pod of Eucalyptus Globulus, by Mrs. Caldwell; 1 Land Crab, by Hon. C. B. Plunket; 1 Snake, presented anonymously; Barnacles picked from the Mooring Chain of the Bokhar Shool Buoy, by J. Speechly, Esq.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 15th May, 1878:—

	European.	Chinese.
Thursday, May 9th,	59	285
Friday, 10th,	54	288
Saturday, 11th,	90	320
Sunday, 12th,	47	273
Monday, 13th,	48	263
Tuesday, 14th,	80	223
Wednesday, 15th,	72	223
Totals,	400	1,847
Grand total, 2,047.		

CONFISCATION OF A JUNK AND CARGO.

At the Marine Court to-day, before the Marine Magistrate and the Hon. C. May—Chun On, the master of the Kum Wo San trading junk, was charged with leaving the Harbour of Victoria without a clearance. Inspector Swanton said that P. C. 74 boarded the defendant's junk and found he had no pass. He had about 120 piculs of saltpetre on board, besides 5 European muskets, a gongal and 15 cadies of powder. Defendant stated that he went to the Harbour office on Sunday, but it was closed, and as there was a fair wind he sailed. He wanted to avoid the Chinese Customs' Station as he had saltpetre on board.

Inspector Swanton stated that he had a translation made of some bills which were found on the defendant's person, and it would appear that the saltpetre was there stated as white sugar. The Inspector said he believed that it was usual for sale of saltpetre intended to be smuggled to be entered as white sugar.

The defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour, and his junk and cargo of saltpetre were, in accordance with Sec. 13 of Ord. 6 of 1866, ordered to be forfeited. The Magistrate, in passing sentence, said they were of opinion that the breach of the Ordinance was wilfully committed in order the better to carry out a smuggling transaction against the laws of China, and although the Magistrate had nothing whatever to do with a breach of the Chinese law, they had to do with a breach of the laws of Hongkong. For this breach the defendant was now punished, and the Magistrate would not recommend the case to the merciful consideration of the Government, as they had done in other cases, as this case did not bear the appearance of honest trading.

REFUSING TO GO ON BOARD.

Robert Moir, boatswain, Sailors' Home, was charged, under Sec. 243 of the Merchant Shipping Act, with refusing, without reasonable cause, to join his ship, the *Echo*. He gave as his reason that his accounts were incorrect, and Mr. Loring was called upon to produce them, when they were found to be quite in order. There was an item of \$40 for law expenses, being part of a sum of \$800 paid Mr. Dennis on account of expenses in defending an action brought against the owners of the S. S. *West Stanley*, of which the defendant was one of the crew. The Magistrate ordered the defendant to be sent on board his ship, and he was mulcted in eight days' pay for absenting himself without reasonable cause.

We clip the following from the special telegraphic despatches of the *Queenslander*:—

London, April 8.—A debate on the position of the Eastern question, in the Italian Chambers, resulted in strong anti-Russian views being expressed.

London, April 10.—The Secretary of State for the War Department, the Right Hon. Gathorne Hardy, has received a communication from Prince Gortschakoff, Chancellor of the Russian Empire, in reply to the circular note recently issued to the signatory Powers respecting the terms of peace with Turkey being withheld by Russia. The despatch in question is couched in moderate language, denies that Russia is seeking ascendancy in the Balkans, and states that the losses sustained during the war. It adds that all existing treaties are dormant, and enquires if the British Cabinet is prepared with counter-proposals with a view of bringing about a definite peace.

London, April 12.—The recent murder of the Earl of Lathom, his clerk, and a car-driver, in Ireland, has formed the subject of debate in both Houses of Parliament.

The reporters of the Press were excluded from the sitting for three hours, in consequence of the aspersions cast upon his Lordship's private character.

London, April 14.—Riots took place at Glasgow yesterday, in consequence of the Papal allocution in reference to the re-establishment of a Hierarchy in Scotland being announced in the several Catholic churches. The disturbances were renewed to-day, when several persons were injured, and 40 of the rioters were arrested by the police.

The Papal allocution was publicly burned.

The *Queenslander* (Brisbane) of April 20th has the following:—

An expedition to New Guinea is in preparation in New Zealand. It is to consist of 50 men, with a capital of \$2750, or \$55 per man. The destination of the expedition will be the Fly River.

Signor D'Albergo, the New Guinean explorer, writing to the *Sydney Echo*,

states that, being tired of being abused on the subject of New Guinea, he is willing to return the aspersions towards the expenses of his last trip if people are not satisfied with what he has done.

Five hundred and thirty Chinese arrived at Port Darwin from Hongkong on the 12th and 13th of the present month.

The captain of the ship *Cardiganshire*, recently arrived at Melbourne, has been fined £30, and sentenced to three days' imprisonment, for an assault committed on one of the seamen on board his vessel while on the high seas.

Just now there is an unusual quantity of shipping in the Port of Newcastle. The *Newcastle Pilot* thus comments upon the fact:—"Considerable attention has been attracted to the appearance presented by the fine fleet of vessels either loading at the cranes or lying at their anchors in Newcastle harbour. Such visitors are very welcome, and they will, no doubt, considerably swell our exports. But the reason they have put in an appearance is owing to causes outside Newcastle. As the China trade was revolutionized by the Suez Canal, so the Australian wool trade promises to be. The *Lusitania*, *Chimborazo*, *Casco*, *St. Ouy*, *Whampoa* and *Stad Amsterdam*, making quick passages, take the wool that used to be carried in clipper ships. Several of our finest visitors are wool ships, which, finding no freight, come here to load for San Francisco and the West Coast instead of going in ballast. It is not the trade that is attracting them. Even now vessels are leaving the other colonies bound for San Francisco in ballast rather than come here and take the low rate of freight which, with the price paid for coal, renders the trade unremunerative. Only the other day, that fine ship, the *Dallam Towers*, was ordered from here by her agents to proceed on her voyage in ballast. Another feature in our trade is rather more promising. The *Bertha* (s.s.), it will be observed, flies the well-known flag of the A. S. N. Company, she having been chartered to load with coal for Hongkong. She lies at No. 2 crane, and will take 2500 tons of coal. On her last voyage she brought 3500 tons of tea. The company has bought the *Gunga* and the *Ocean* (s.s.), and the *Bertha*, we understand, is chartered for purchase on approval. If she is approved after she has made the voyage she will be purchased. The three vessels will then run in the China trade."

FATAL CASE OF STABBING.

A murder was committed about 9 o'clock last night at 35 Tank Lane, Taipingham. The victim was a chair-coolie who resided in the house with his wife. It appears that he owed the man who is now under arrest for the murder \$2, and the man asked him for payment, when they got to high words, which resulted in the crime with which the man is accused. The wife of the murdered man rushed out of her room and threw her arms around her husband when he was struggling with the murderer, and she got stabbed beneath the ribs and is now in Hospital, though in no danger. The instrument used was a knife, the sheath of which was made to resemble the half of a fan, the handle forming the other half. When sheathed it can scarcely be distinguished from an ordinary fan, but it is a murderous looking weapon like a butcher's knife, and is very sharp. The man now under arrest has a cut in the hand, which he accounts for by saying that he took the knife from the deceased who had tried to stab him and had then used it in self-defence. The accused Chu Acheong, a rice-pounder, was brought before Mr. May this morning, and remanded until Monday to enable the inquest to be concluded.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

The Inquest was held this afternoon at the Government Civil Hospital, before C. V. Creagh, Esq. (Coroner), and the following gentlemen as a Jury: Messrs E. H. Oxley, J. Plague, and J. Alabor.

Chung Ayum, the wounded woman, declared, stated that the deceased was her husband. She lived in Tank Lane; she did not know the number. The prisoner has lived there two months; his name is Chun Yow. I do not know his surname. My deceased husband, I think, knew him before. Last night, about 9 o'clock, I was in my room sewing, and my husband was lying on the bed. The prisoner who lived on the same floor came to the door, and asked me to pay him the two dollars which my husband owed him. The money has been owing since last year, I believe, but I do not know anything about how the debt was contracted. I replied that my husband was very poor now, and he must wait until he gets work; if he does not get work, and I get money from the shop for sewing, I will pay you. The defendant then got up from the bed and said my husband told me to pay you. I then heard something like fighting in the passage. I could hear the sound of blows. I went out and saw the prisoner with a knife in his hand and he stabbed my husband. I saw him stab him four times. The knife produced is the one that was used. I do not know where he was stabbed, but I could see blood flow from his body. I threw my arms around my husband's neck, and as I did so I felt a wound in the left side, and we then both fell to the ground, and I became insensible. I recovered my senses I should think in about an hour. I saw the landlady of the house holding the prisoner, and she gave him into custody; the prisoner and myself were both still in the passage, and I saw the Police coming into the house. I was taken to the Station, and from there to this Hospital. I never saw the knife before yesterday; it does not belong to me or to my late husband. When I heard the prisoner and my husband quarrelling I did not suspect either of them had a knife until I went into the passage. I have often heard the defendant ask for the \$2 before, but I never heard them quarrel before; they were always good friends. My husband was the nearest to me when I saw them in the passage; he had his back turned to me, and the prisoner was facing him. I saw my husband strike at him with his fist whilst the prisoner was stabbing him. My husband had nothing in his hands. My husband was formerly a chair-coolie, but

was out of employment. The prisoner is a rice-pounder.

Dr. Ayres, Colonial Surgeon, was next examined, and said he was in temporary charge of the Civil Hospital. He said the deceased was brought to the Hospital about 10 past 10, and was then only recently dead, as the body was still warm. He examined the body this morning and found it to be that of a man about 35 years of age, well nourished and strong. The only marks on the body were four incised wounds, one on the right arm about 1½ inches long, another two inches and a half long on the same arm, both wounds being connected under the skin. There was another wound one inch long, three inches below and a little to the left of the left lung, the direction being upward and inward towards the centre of the body and opening into the body; blood was oozing freely from this wound. There was a wound on the left, fore and middle finger two inches long. There were also two grazes, one on the left knee cap and the right shoulder blade. On opening the body the breast wound was found to have passed between the 6th and 7th rib at the junction of the cartilages of the ribs. On opening the cavity of the abdomen and chest, a wound 2½ inches long and ½ inch deep was found on the upper and outer surface of the skin, passing diagonally and inwardly; there was another wound 2 inches long and 1 deep on the anterior and superior surface of the left lobe of the liver; there was also a wound about an inch long in the diaphragm. There were no other injuries in the abdomen at all, but the cavity of the left lung was full of blood, and oozed blood was lying in the abdominal cavity under the liver. The cause of death was hemorrhage made by some sharp instrument. A woman was also brought to the Hospital, she had a wound between the lower ribs and the hip bone, cutting a part of the omentum. The wounds on the woman and the deceased could have been caused by a knife similar to that produced. I saw it last night, and there were then distinct marks of blood on the blade.

Tung Afo, a married woman, declared, said she was the landlady of the house in which the murder was committed. She kept lodgers; the deceased and his wife had lodged with her about ten months. Continuities—The prisoner I have known for about the same time; he formerly lived in my house, but went away and returned about two months ago. Last night about 7 o'clock I heard the prisoner ask the deceased for money. The deceased had been drinking and said "I have got no money to pay you, but I will give you my watch." The prisoner said "Even when you are employed you would not pay me, and I told them to quarrel, and make a noise, as others wanted to sleep. They then left the house, the prisoner going first and the deceased about five minutes later. I saw the prisoner return about a quarter of an hour later, and I then went to sleep, and did not see the deceased return. About 10 o'clock I was awakened by hearing a noise, and heard the deceased and the prisoner abusing each other, so I got up and then saw the deceased fall down. I told the woman to stand by a trap door so that the prisoner could not get out, and I went for the Police. The deceased was quarrelsome sometimes; I once saw him beat his wife, but cannot say if he was drunk then or not. The deceased owed me \$2.18 for rent and taxes.

Chung Kwai, a married woman, declared, said she lived in the same house as the deceased, and occupied the next room. She never saw the deceased drunk, but she said he drank a good deal. The prisoner once slept in the house, and she had never seen him drunk. After the murder was committed the prisoner was sitting on a bamboo couch about three feet from the deceased, and the landlady had run away. He said "you need not cry, I'll not run away;" the landlady said "I will go and call the police;" and he said, "you need not, I will go myself." She went away, leaving last witness and the prisoner in the passage and last witness stood on the trap door. The prisoner sat on the bamboo couch and did not move or speak until the police came. The landlady was gone about 5 minutes.

Sikh Constable No. 584, declared, stated that he heard a noise in Tank Lane and that he shot a noise in Tank Lane. No one called him; he saw the prisoner. When the prisoner saw witness he sat down on a bamboo couch and threw a knife away from him.

Sikh Constable No. 581 also gave evidence as to the position in which the several persons connected with the tragedy were found. The wife of the deceased, he said, picked up the knife and gave it to the last witness. He also said he saw the prisoner throw the knife away, and the sheath was found on the couch where the prisoner was sitting.

Leong Kwai Kun, the Charge-room interpreter, said—I was on duty yesterday, and the prisoner was brought to the Station by P. C. 64. The prisoner, in reply to a question I put to him, said "The deceased owed me 3 taels, and two candareens, and would not pay me. He was going to strike me with his fist when some woman stopped him. He then took up the knife (produced) and tried to stab me with it. I took the knife from him, and stabbed him once. I asked him for the money many times before, but he put me off." Witness also asked him why he stabbed the woman, and he replied, "She was very savage."

The Coroner then summed up the evidence and explained the difference between murder and manslaughter. The prisoner was asked if he would like to make a statement before the Jury, but he said he would rather not do so just now.

The Jury returned a verdict of murder under great provocation.

THE VOLUNTEERS.—It is stated that, as a result of the conference recently held at the Royal United Service Institution, the War Office has signified its intention of fully considering the possibility of giving greater encouragement to the volunteer force. This would, it is understood, take the form of increased facilities for the promotion of efficiency and measures for bringing about the more perfect mobilisation of the force. Any increase of the present capitation grant is not considered either necessary or desirable.

Mons. Szekessy to Rome.—At Brighton a considerable batch of laymen have just followed the two clerics of St. Bartholomew's to the Roman communion. Amongst these is the well-known High Church writer Mr. Charles Walker, author of "The Ritual Reason Why," "The Sarum Mass in English," and many other popular books. At Oxford seven members of the university have likewise just gone to Rome. Amongst these are Mr. Oliver Venet, of Balliol College; Mr. Westerman, of Oriel; and Mr. Johnson, of Exeter.

Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates Sitting.)

May 16, 1878.

LARCENY.

Ho Ahing, a tailor, was sent to one month's hard labour for stealing a spar. He had been previously convicted for unlawful possession.

Wong Ahit, a seaman, was sent to two months' hard labour for stealing clothing from a dwelling house.

Chun Achoy, a coolie, was sent to four months' hard labour for attempting to pick the pocket of a seaman named Daniel McCarthy, residing at the Sailors' Home. Defendant had been previously convicted of street gambling.

SUBVERSIVE.

Liu Afat, and Liu Sik, chair-coolies, chair No. 545, were fined \$5 each for not at once returning a parcel which was left in their chair by Mr. Thomas Davis of Messrs Sayle & Co. The defendants said they did not discover the parcel until they returned home at midnight, and then did not know what to do with it. They at once told the constable where the parcel was when questioned.

DRUNKENNESS.

Thomas Hamilton and William Watson, seamen British steamer *Catramur*, were fined 50 cents each for the above offence. Charles Hamilton, seaman, Sailors' Home, was cautioned and discharged for having committed a similar offence.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF STAMPS.

Ip Aping and Tsung Asau were charged for being found in the unlawful possession of several sheets of 48-cent stamps to the value of \$144.

Yun Ahing, Sergeant Interpreter, said he was on Charge Room duty when the first defendant was brought to the Station, about half-past 7 on the evening of Sunday, the 12th instant. He asked the defendant where he got the stamps, and he replied that he bought them from a marine hawk for three cash. He had bought three sheets of stamps and two of them were taken away by some of his neighbours. Witness saw the defendant searched and four sheets of stamps were taken out of his pocket. The defendant said he did not know whether the stamps were fit for use or not. He said at first that he could not find the marine hawk, and afterwards said he could.

First defendant said that the stamps were sold to him by the second defendant in the market for three cash, on the evening of the 11th at 6 p.m. He had the stamps for sale in the charge room that he had no more in his pocket because he had forgotten that he had four others. He thought it was waste paper and considered the stamps to be worthless. He had had dealings with the second defendant before.

Second defendant said he was a night-soil coolie; he denied selling the stamps to the first defendant and said he had no knowledge of him whatever. He was not in the market at all on the 11th.

Mr. Cragh informed the defendants that he was satisfied they did not know the value of the stamps, and they would therefore be discharged, but he cautioned them to be more careful in future. If they had told the truth at first they would have saved themselves a deal of trouble. The first defendant would have to find security for his appearance if called on within a month to one household for \$10. The stamps would be returned to the Treasury.

SUGAR GROWING NEAR PENANG.

(Penang Gazette.)

Mr. Robert Tooth's Sugar Estate at the Dindings and Perak.—The Dindings is the name given to the two islands and a portion of the mainland of Perak ceded to the British Government by the Treaty of Pangkor in 1874, and the island of Pangkor is situated at a distance of 80 miles south of Penang. Some six months ago, Mr. Robert Tooth intimated to the Government of the Straits Settlements his desire of investing a large amount of capital in opening up jungle land for the cultivation of sugar, and erecting extensive Factory Works for refining purposes, in the Malay Peninsula, as being a central position in the Eastern Sugar growing world. After careful examination of the country, it was finally decided to select the Dindings as the most suitable place, and a concession of 80,000 acres was granted on terms to Mr. Tooth by the Ruler of Perak, the grant being also counter-signed by the British Resident. This extensive property is situated between the Perak and the Dindings Rivers, and comprises some very valuable and fertile tracts of country. A great part consists of low marshy ground, and consequently easily drained, and containing some valuable soil. Other parts consist of a yellow clay mixed with sand, not swampy, and immediately available for sugar planting.

It is not at present contemplated to use the Mangrove swamps that fringe the West boundary of the East, as the best parts of the Estate are never subject to the intrusion of salt water as in Province Wellesley. It is now well known that the most signal success has attended Mr. Tooth's Sugar Refining works at Yongkar in Queensland and lately at Manila. In the former place from 80 to 40 tons of white sugar are daily turned out, and in the latter, some 80 tons per day out of the newly-erected Mills, and when these are complete it is expected that a daily output of 200 tons of refined sugar will be made. These enormous enterprises now induce Mr. Tooth and his friends to establish similar works, with improvements, at the Dindings, and to keep these works supplied with a sufficient quantity of juice or sugar, it will be necessary to cultivate a large area of country, and it is proposed to clear and cultivate at once 6,000 acres of the concession above described. The cane will be crushed at various distances from the Factory by movable mills, and the juice so extracted will be either pumped into pipes that lead into the Factory or conveyed in tanks down the numerous convenient rivers that fall into the Dindings Harbour. The plan of conveying the juice by pipes or tanks has been found to answer admirably in Queensland—the crushing mills being so fitted together in England that they can easily be taken down and erected in other places. The site for the Factory is about three miles up the Dindings Harbour, which is an extensive saltwater inlet, holding from 7 to 10 fathoms of water for 6 or 7 miles—a mile in width, and a steam launch drawing

4 feet of water can ascend some 14 miles to the head of the harbour. The entrance of Dindings River is protected by the island of Pangkor, so that the waters of this beautiful harbour are always smooth—and what may be termed the bar has 26 feet of water over it at Low Water Springs, so that deep draught steamers can enter at all times and come up alongside of the Factory and discharge or load sugar, and get out again without any difficulty. The Factory works are to be erected on a well-chosen site, having among other important advantages, deep water close to the bank, a plentiful supply of fresh water for the engines, and the Dindings have always been famous for valuable timber, which will be most convenient for the large buildings proposed to be erected. A few months ago the Government of the Straits Settlements sent Mr. Daly, the surveyor for the Native States, to assist Mr. Tooth in selecting suitable lands, and that gentleman's valuable assistance has been constantly engaged in that work and in laying out lines of road communication, and of canals, to drain the fresh water swamps. At that time this country was a dense inhospitable jungle—the home of tigers, rhinoceros and other wild animals—and now there are some 800 coolies and others at work: some 630 acres have been cleared, and a small portion planted with cane, and the population of Chinese, Kling, and Malay coolies is steadily increasing.

LONDON GOSSIP.

(Pioneer.)

I don't know whether it has been stated in print that Mr. Archibald Forbes has been engaged to give 75 lectures in different parts of the country during the next six months for the sum of £2,500. Of this amount he has received £1,000 in advance, and he is to get £500 when each series of 25 lectures is completed.

The great society event of the week has been the Marquis of Rosebery's wedding. Though the bride was a Rothschild and presented her husband with a dowry of three million sterling, she wore far less jewellery at the altar than many a merchant's daughter would have done. This simplicity has struck a great blow at the foolish fashion, which will be shown by the following fact. At a recent wedding in the West End Church, the bride wore five bracelets on one arm, six on the other, and three necklaces, all selected from her list of presents. In the case of the Marquis of Rosebery's wedding, the presents represented a gross value of about £30,000. But the most valuable, and entirely outside the sum, was a present from the bride to the bridegroom. On the morning of the wedding, Miss Rothschild sent the Marquis a little gold basket containing a cheque for £30,000, a year's income of the young lady in her own right. The marriage had another feature. The parson of the church where the ceremony took place is very "high," and declined to have any part in a mixed wedding. His place was therefore taken by the Rev. Mr. Rogers, the well-known Broad Churchman of Bishopsgate—"Hang Theology Rogers" as he is sometimes called. It is remarkable that the wedding should in many essential respects, touching the signing of the register, for instance, as shown in to-day's *Times*, have been contrary to the provisions of the law.

The maroon strike, which has just ended here to the advantage of the masters, has brought about 500 foreign workmen into the English labour market, and produced a pecuniary loss to the Unionists of £30,000. Considering the present state of trade, most people are glad that the workmen's demands have proved unsuccessful. You will see that the employers and millowners in the Lancashire cotton trade have given notice of a 10 per cent reduction of wages. This will affect all cotton manufacturers from India and China, and may lead to a partial strike.

The services rendered by Mr. Valentine Baker to Turkey, and the gallantry with which he covered the retreat of Suleiman's army when there was every reason for suspecting that Goukro's advance, have gone a long way towards reinstating Mr. Baker in the good opinion of many persons. The other night the Duke of Sutherland gave him a complimentary banquet, and many of Baker's friends availed themselves of the opportunity of meeting their old companion for the first time since an unfortunate event deprived the army of so excellent a soldier. A night or two later Mr. Baker was restored, on re-election, to the books of the Marlborough Club.

Speaking of financial magnates, the thoughts might travel naturally enough to Frederic Huth and Co., for Mr. Huth is one of the richest men in London or the world, but the transition is a grant a little abrupt to an evening party given by the wife of one of Mr. Huth's partners. I have seen and handled a card of invitation to this party, which is curious enough to deserve a word of notice. Down the left-hand side of the card there is the full-length outline sketch of a woman in "ancient Greek" costume—that is to say, a woman dressed very much like an Indian ayah—while the body of the card bears:—

"Mrs. —"

At Home

Wednesday 20th March

(from 9 o'clock)

All ladies will appear in "Ancient Greek" costume.

An early and definite answer is requested. Then follows a list of addresses—a semi-platitude to an evening party given by the wife of one of Mr. Huth's partners. It seems, the contingent of 10,000 men, which Canada has offered to place in the field, may simply be looked upon as the first instalment of a splendid corps which that loyal colony would send across the Atlantic if the need of England became great enough to justify a general call to arms. It should not be forgotten that the law of universal obligatory military service obtains in the Dominion, and thus there are 700,000 men who could eventually be called out. They are not armed now, but in a new country like Canada, where large cities are few and the conditions of life different to those of the old world, nearly every man can shoot, and familiarity with firearms helps greatly to make a good soldier. One authority goes so far as to state that "after many years' observation and experience with soldiers of many nationalities—European and Asian—he is of opinion none possess natural military qualities superior to those of the Canadians." And they love fighting, in many cases, for the sake of the adventure and excitement it gives them; for the spirit of restless energy is strong in the men who have served as pioneers of civilisation on lakes and in forest. In the American Civil War it was estimated that 40,000 Canadians

surrounded the border and served as soldiers, and now, as trade in the whole of North America is sharing in the general depression, it is argued that thousands of men in the United States, Canadians chiefly, would flock to any recruiting depots that might be opened. The actual armed strength of Canada is merely 45,000 militia and the few gunners who form the garrisons of Quebec and Kingston.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, May 16, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash,	\$55 a 58½
Old Patna, cash,	None
New Benares, cash, 562½ a 585	
Old Benares, cash, None	
New Malwa, cash, 785	
Allowance, Tael, 6 a 16	
Old Malwa, cash,	None
Allowance, Tael,	None

CAMPION,	16.75 a 17.00
QUICKSILVER,	61.00 a 61.75
SALT PETRE,	6.25 a 6.80

Exchange.

Bank, on demand,	3/10
30 days' sight,	3/10½
6 months' sight,	3/11½ a 1
Credit,	3/11½ a 1
Documentary, 6 months' sight,	3/11½ a 1
Bombay, demand, Rupees,	227
Calcutta,	227
Shanghai, demand,	71½
30 days,	71½
Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B.,	10½
Sycee,	8½
Mexican,	28 p.m.
Gold Leaf,	8.25
English Sovereigns,	5.25
Australian Sovereigns,	5.25
Discount,	7 to 9 %

Share.

Hongkong Bank, 68 % prem.	
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,325	
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,300	
Chinese Insurance Co., \$270	
Yongkar Ins. Assoc., \$1,640	
N. H. China Ins. Co., \$1,960	
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$700	
China Fire Ins. Co., \$180	
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 8½ % prem.	
H.K. & M. S. Boat Co., 47 dts.	
Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$1,21	
Hongkong Gas Co., \$75	
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$85	
China Sugar Refining Co., 7 % prem.	
Chinese Imperial Loan, \$104.	
Do, of 1877, \$104.	

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, May 16, 1878.	
BAROMETER—9 A.M.	30.084
Do, 1 P.M.	30.080
Do, 4 P.M.	30.000
THERMOMETER—9 A.M.	77
Do, 1 P.M.	77
Do, 4 P.M.	77
Do, (Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	76
Do, 1 P.M.	76
Do, 4 P.M.	76
Do, Maximum over night	77
Do, Minimum over night	75

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

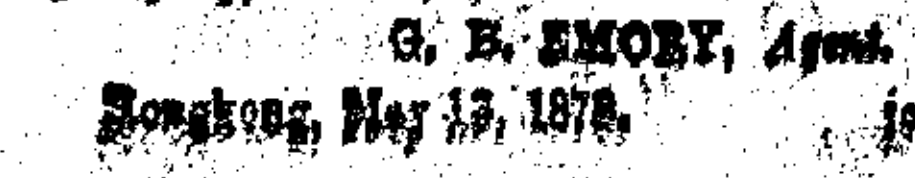
VESSELS TO ARRIVE

AT HONGKONG.

When left. Name. From. Remarks.

Oct.	19, Osoar,	Hamburg
25, Benedicla,	San Francisco	
Nov.		
2, Minna,	London	
3, Elizabeth Shields,	Hamburg	
20, Jetti,	Cardiff	
Dec.		
1, Glengaber,	Flushing	
2, Otto,	Hamburg	
13, Sir Harry Parkes,	London	
19, Sedan,	Cardiff	
—, R. B. Fuller,	Cardiff	
23, J. R. Worcester,	London	
25, G. B. S.,	Liverpool	

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.



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